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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5413**
Takehiko ITAGAKI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004_1122A
Serial No. 10/501,152 : Group Art Unit 1742
Filed August 13, 2004 : Examiner Sikyin Ip

PRODUCTION METHOD FOR : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**
OXIDATION-RESISTANT HIGH
CHROMIUM FERRITIC HEAT
RESISTANT STEEL

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 4, 2007 in which restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group II (claims 4 to 6), directed to a method of producing ferritic steel.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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